

# St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish

253 Cabot Street ~ Beverly, Massachusetts

Rev. David J. Barnes, Pastor

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## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



### HYMNS & READINGS

**PRO: 595**—(“There’s A Wideness”)

**READ: 942**

**MASS**

**253**—Sanctus

**353**—Agnus Dei

**COMM: 735**—(“I Received The Living”)

**REC: 628**—(“Go Make of All Disciples”)

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Rectory Telephone Number: 978-922-0113

St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish Website: [www.stmarystar.org](http://www.stmarystar.org)

St. Mary Star of the Sea School Website: [www.stmarystarschool.org](http://www.stmarystarschool.org)

**Principal, St. Mary's School**

Pre K through 8th Grade

Mr. Kevin Cushman—978-927-3259

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Mrs. Christine O'Brien - 978-922-0799

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Mr. Frederick MacArthur – 978-609-4302

**Baptism**

Celebration on the Third Sunday of the Month

Baptismal Catechesis Required for First Time Parents ~~ Third Monday of the Month at Rectory

**Marriage**

Engaged couples are advised to call the Rectory at least six months prior to their wedding date.

Participation in a Marriage Preparation Program is required.

**Mass Schedule**

Monday thru Saturday 7:00 AM (Except Thursday's)

Saturday 4:00 PM ~~ Sunday / 8:15 AM / 10:30 AM / 5:00 PM

**Holy Day Masses**

See Parish Calendar for Mass Times

**Confessions**

Saturday ~~ 2:30 PM ~~ 3:15 PM Lower Church, or by Appointment

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Sunday, September 21 ~**

Is 55:6-9 / Ps 145:2-3,8-9,17-18 / Phil 1:20c-24,27a  
Mt 20:1-16a

**Monday, September 22 ~**

Prv 3:27-34 / Ps 15:2-4b,5 / Lk 8:16-18

**Tuesday, September 23 ~**

Prv 21:1-6,10-13 / Ps 119:1,27,30,34-35,44  
Lk 8:19-21

**Wednesday, September 24 ~**

Prv 30:5-9 Ps 119:29,72,89,101,104,163 / Lk 9:1-6

**Thursday, September 25 ~**

Ecc 1:2-11 / Ps 90:3-6,12-14,17bc / Lk 9:7-9

**Friday, September 26 ~**

Ecc 3:1-11 / Ps 144:1b,2abc,3-4 / Lk 18-22

**Saturday, September 27 ~**

Ecc 11:9-12:8 / Ps 90:3-6,12-14,17 / Lk 9:43b-45

**Sunday, September 28 ~**

Ez 18:25-28 / Ps 125:4-9 / Phl 2:1-11 / Mt 21:28-32

**LEGION OF MARY**

Is a world-wide organization of Catholics, men and women, who offer their services to the Church to aid her in performing spiritual works in the parish. This is done by placing themselves under the banner of Mary so that with her help they may develop greater holiness in their own lives as well as spread a deeper devotion to her among others.

**The Legion of Mary meets at St. Mary's Rectory, Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM**

### Parish Calendar

#### SUNDAY

SECOND COLLECTION:  
 HURRICANE VICTIMS OF HAITI  
 COFFEE & DONUTS ~ Lower Church  
 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BEGINS  
 9:15 AM Bible Discussion  
 9:20 AM Religious Education Grades K-8  
 St. Mary Star of the Sea School  
 11:30 AM Baptisms

#### MONDAY

7:00 PM Confirmation  
 St. Mary Star of the Sea School

#### WEDNESDAY

3:30 PM Religious Education—Gr. 1-6  
 St. Mary Star of the Sea School  
 7:00 PM Legion of Mary—Rectory

#### FRIDAY

9:00 AM Rosary Group—Rectory

#### SATURDAY

8:00 AM Men's Group  
 2:30 PM Confessions—Lower Church

### Mass Intentions

**Months Mind Mass**  
**Sunday, September 21:**  
 Lori A. Cassola

**Tuesday, September 23**  
 Mary K. Pelletier

**Friday, September 26:**  
 Catherine Amore

**Months Mind Mass**  
**Sunday, September 28:**  
 Gerald Maney

### PRAYERS

Kindly remember in your prayers the intentions in our PARISH PRAYER BOOK, the deceased members of our parish, all who have asked for our prayers and for those who have no one to pray for them.

Special prayers are requested for:  
**BARBARA FRYE**, who recently passed away.

### WEEKLY NEED:

**\$9,200.00**

### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION:

**\$7,536.00**

### PLUS THOSE CONTRIBUTING THROUGH PARISH PAY:

**\$900.00**

### Sanctuary Light in Memory of:

The Rev. Francis J. Curran

Pastor, St. Mary Star of the Sea  
 June 25 1893— March 26, 1916

IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR OUR ANNUAL  
 40 HOURS DEVOTION.

**OCTOBER 2ND—OCTOBER 4TH.**

*A TIME TO REMEMBER THAT CHRIST  
 IS AT THE CENTER OF OUR PARISH  
 AND OF OUR LIFE.*

**Banns of Marriage** We congratulate the following couple who will soon be married and assure them the prayers of our Parish Family.



I—Brian Ericksen & Jennifer Beals

### DAILY ADORATION ANNOUNCEMENT:

**DUE TO HEATING PIPE REPAIR WORK IN THE LOWER CHURCH, DAILY ADORATION WILL TAKE PLACE NEXT WEEK, SEPTEMBER 23 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 26 IN THE MAIN CHURCH.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING**



**Religious Education News**

**Classes will start the week of, September 21. Some time changes have been made.**

**Please take note:**

- Sunday 9:20-10:20AM**
- Monday 7:00-8:15PM**
- Wednesday 3:30-4:30PM.**

**There is still a need for a teacher on Wednesday. If interested please call the Religious Education office at 978-922-0799.**

**Tenth Grade Parent/Student Meeting to be held on September 29 at 7:00 PM in the School Hall.**

**CENTER FOR GRIEF & HEALING**

*A Program of Hospice of the North Shore*

**Loss of an Adult Child**

**Tuesdays, October 14-December 2**

**6:30—8:00 pm**

**75 Sylvan Street, Danvers, MA**

*A free eight week support group*

This support group focuses specifically on the grieving process parents go through after losing an adult child. It recognizes that this kind of grief is especially painful for many parents, not only have you lost someone you cared about, but you have lost your hopes and dreams for your child. It provides a safe and comfortable forum for those who are grieving to express feelings and begin to heal.



**THE CANTATA SINGERS**

*Songs of Peace and Hope*

**OCTOBER 5, 2008 ~ 5:30 PM**

*Performed at sunset at*

**SISTER OF NOTRE DAME**

**30 JEFFREYS NECK ROAD ~ IPSWICH MA**

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Congratulations to Sr. Julie Kane, a devoted servant of God, on her 60th anniversary with the Sisters of Notre Dame.

**ADORATION:** *“Can you spend one hour with me?”*

Please sign up for our daily adoration. We are in need of at least 120 persons to spend an hour each week praying before the Blessed Sacrament. We especially need help during the daytime hours. Please e-mail [stmarysadoration@yahoo.com](mailto:stmarysadoration@yahoo.com) and indicate the days and times that you are available. Monday through Friday 7:30 AM to 7:30 PM.

**ADORATION HOURS STILL AVAILABLE:**

Monday—	7:30—8:30
	11:30—12:30
	12:30—1:30
	4:30—5:30
Tuesday	12:30—1:30
	2:30—3:30
	3:30—4:30
	4:30—5:30
Wednesday—	1:30—2:30
	3:30—4:30
	4:30—5:30
Thursday—	10:30—11:30
	2:30—3:30
	4:30—5:30
	5:30—6:30

**SATURDAY MORNING ~ MEN’S GROUP**

St. Mary’s Men’s Group meets at 8:00 AM Saturday mornings in the Lower Church. Coffee and refreshments are provided, with talks on selected topics by members. Any questions or topic ideas please call:

Ferde Rombola at 978-922-8502.

Saturday, September 20 ~ “An Infinity of Little Hours”

*Webster Bull*

**COFFEE & DONUTS**

**TODAY**

**FOLLOWING 8:15 FAMILY MASS**

**THE CHOIR AT ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA**

**Rehearsals precede the Mass at 9:30.**

The Adult Choir is open to new members and rehearses on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am. Some knowledge of note reading is helpful and a reasonable commitment is asked. If you are interested in joining, please speak with the organist, Fred MacArthur, after any of the weekend Masses, or call him directly at: 978-609-4302.

September 21, 2008 ~ Twenty-Fifth Sunday Of Ordinary Time

**ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL NEWS**  
*"A Spirited, Faith-filled Community"*

**Missioned:** To provide a strong spiritual and academic foundation for the students of Beverly and the North Shore

**Dedicated:** To plant the seeds of Christian Values

**Committed:** To make a difference in today's world

**MANY, MANY THANKS** to **John & Marguerite Condon**, and the **Knights of Columbus, Council 175 of Beverly**, for their recent donation to St. Mary's School – very much appreciated!

**PRAYER SERVICE** - The students of St. Mary's School participated in a beautiful Prayer Service commemorating 9/11. Our 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders led the entire student body and our guests in prayer and song.

**SCHOOL CALENDAR FUNDRAISER** – We are pleased to announce the start of our St. Mary's School Calendar sales. You may purchase these anxiously-awaited calendars from any St. Mary's student or in the school office. For your \$20 donation, you will have 365 chances to win a share of the prize money! Your calendar number will be registered for all the daily and special occasion drawings from \$25 to \$1,000! As always, the children of St. Mary's School thank you for your support.

**St. Mary's "WISH UPON A STAR"** Auction will be held on **November 13<sup>th</sup>** at Danversport Yacht Club at 6:00 PM. We are currently looking for new donations, and ads for our Program Book. Do you have sports tickets, can you make up a basket, sew or knit, offer a personal service, donate a gift certificate, take out a personal or business ad? All donations will be prominently acknowledged in our Program Book. Please join us at the auction – **TICKETS ON SALE NOW** – call **Jane Powers at 978 468-2114**- reserve a table of friends and parishioners – your participation in any way is most welcome! Many thanks to our **Parishioner Liaison, Jolyne Boyle 978 927-1232**, and our **Auction Chairs Amy Fowler and Lyne McAuliffe**. **Please call the Development Office at 978 998-6848 with any questions. Mail or bring donations to: St. Mary's School, 13 Chapman St., Beverly, MA 01915.**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Item Donation: \_\_\_\_\_ Value: \_\_\_\_\_

Ticket Order: \_\_\_\_\_ tickets @ \$30.00 includes a full dinner & night of fun!

Advertising: \_\_\_\_\_ Business card size \$25 \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ page \$50 \_\_\_\_\_ ½ pg. \$100

\_\_\_\_\_ Full page \$200 \_\_\_\_\_ Inside front/back cover \$300

Sponsorships: all donations gratefully welcomed and acknowledged in Program Book

**THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**



**RITE OF CHRISITAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)**

**RCIA SESSIONS BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH AT 9:15 AM IN ST. MARY'S SCHOOL.**

The RCIA program is open to all adults 18 and older seeking Baptism; or for those who have been baptized in Protestant communities who seek to become Roman Catholic; or for baptized Catholics who have not received First Eucharist and/or Confirmation.

If you would like more information about RCIA please contact Neil Yetts at 978-922-0113 or fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I have not been Baptized: \_\_\_\_\_ I have not received First Eucharist: \_\_\_\_\_

I have not been Confirmed: \_\_\_\_\_ I have been baptized Protestant: \_\_\_\_\_

"The nature of wonder is not a force that pushes us passively from behind; it is situated ahead of us and attracts us with irresistible force toward the object of our astonishment; it makes us advance toward it, filled with enchantment."

– Sofia Cavalletti

### **WHAT IS WONDER?**

A working definition: An experience of the transcendent through the everyday.

A dynamic value that draws us to "an activity we do as persons immersed in the contemplation of something that exceeds us." (Cavalletti)

Activity and contemplation are inseparably blended with wonder.

"Awe is an intuition for the dignity of all things, a realization that things not only are what they are but also stand, however remotely, for something supreme. Awe is a sense for the transcendence, for the reference everywhere to mystery beyond all things. It enables us to perceive in the world intimations of the divine,... to sense the ultimate in the common and the simple; to feel in the rush of passing the stillness of the eternal. What we cannot comprehend by analysis, we become aware of in awe." (Abraham Heschel)

### **WHY WONDER?**

Wonder is the essential starting point of the spiritual life. "When wonder becomes a fundamental attitude of our spirit it will confer a religious character to our whole life, because it makes us live with the consciousness of being plunged into an unfathomable and incommensurable reality." (Cavalletti)

"God's beauty is his love, all the greater because it was prior. The more [the soul] understands that she was loved before being a lover, the more and amply she cries out in her heart's core and with the voice of her deepest affections that she must love him. Thus, the Word's speaking is the giving of the gift; the soul's response is wonder and thanksgiving. The more she grasps that she is overcome in loving, the more she loves. The more she admits that he has gone before her, the more awestruck she is." (in Sermons on the Song of Songs, by Bernard of Clairvaux)

"The horizon of knowledge is lost in the mist produced by fads and phrases. We refuse to take notice of what is beyond our sight, content with converting realities into opinions, mysteries into dogmas and ideas into a multitude of words. What is extraordinary appears to us as habit, the dawn a daily routine of nature... In the confinement of our study rooms our knowledge seems to us a pillar of light. But when we stand at the door which opens out to the infinite, we realize that all concepts are but glittering motes that populate a sunbeam." (Abraham Heschel)

### **HOW DO WE LEARN TO WONDER?**

Pay attention. Look again. And again.

- Wonder "can only arise from an attentive observation of reality." (Cavalletti)
- "If we skim over things, we will never be surprised by them." (Cavalletti)
- "Attention, taken to its highest degree, is the same thing as prayer." (S. Weil)

### **CULTIVATE HUMILITY.**

- How often do we project ourselves, our desires, our interpretations, our opinions, on the world? How often do we let the world, in all its particularity and mystery, simply speak to us?